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☐ ATTN: BOX PATENT APPLICATION☐ ATTN: BOX DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION☒ ATTN: BOX PCT☐ ATTN: BOX PROVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION☒ THIS IS THE 35 U.S.C 371 NATIONAL STAGE OF PCT/CH2004/000176 FILEDMarch 23, 2004

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the ☒ Utility ☐ Design ☒ nonprovisional ☐ provisional  
patent application of:

Inventor / Application Identifier: **Dr. Thomas MAETZKE**☒ See Inventor Information Sheet attached







For: **SAFETY DEVICE FOR LABORATORY WORK, ESPECIALLY FOR LIQUID  
CHROMATOGRAPHY SYSTEMS**

- ☐ This is a new patent application.  
☒ This is the 35 U.S.C. 371 National Stage Application of the above-identified PCT Application.  
☐ This is a provisional patent application.  
☐ This is a: ☐ Continuation Application  
☐ Divisional Application  
☐ Continuation-in-Part Application  
of prior Application Serial No. \_.

☐ Cancel in this application original claims \_\_\_ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.

☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:  
-- This is a ☐ Continuation, ☐ Divisional, ☐ Continuation-in-part, of Application

☐ Incorporation By Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

ENCLOSED ARE THE FOLLOWING:		
X	3	Sheets of drawings ([X] formal [ ] informal size A4 ).
X	19	Pages of specification including abstract and claims.
X	22	Total pages.
Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney		
		Newly executed
		Copy from prior application
		Inventors deleted; see attached statement
Sequence Listing		
		Computer Readable Copy
		Paper copy
		Statement verifying identity of above copies
X	Return Receipt Postcard	
	Preliminary Amendment	

	Assignment to:	
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Assignment Recordation Form Cover Sheet.
	Information Disclosure Statement	
X	Information Disclosure Citation	
X	English translation	
X	Application Data Sheet	

PRIORITY CLAIMS		
	Applicant hereby claims the benefit of the filing date of the following provisional application(s) under the provision of 35 USC 119.	
X	Applicant hereby claims the benefit under the provisions of 35 USC 119 of the filing dates of the following applications as indicated below:  Switzerland Patent Appln. No. 2003 0714/03, filed April 22, 2003, Priority Claimed  of which certified copies thereof	
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	are enclosed
<input type="checkbox"/>	X	have been filed in the International Bureau
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CLAIMS FILED AND FILING FEE CALCULATION					
ITEM	—			Rate	Applied Fee
[ ] Basic Fee Utility	—			\$300	
[ ] Search Fee Utility				\$500	
[ ] Exam. Fee Utility				\$200	
[ ] Sheet Fee Utility	Ea. Add'l 50 pgs. over 100 pgs.			\$250	
Small Entity e-Filed Basic Fee Utility: SEE BELOW "Small Entity is Asserted."					
[X] Basic Fee - PCT Nat'l Stage	—			\$300	\$300
[X] Search Fee - PCT Nat'l Stage	37 CFR 1.492(b)(3)			\$400	\$400
[X] Exam. Fee - PCT Nat'l Stage	37 CFR 1.492(c)(2)			\$200	\$200
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Claim Fees	Number Filed	Base Number	Number Extra over Base	—	
Total Claims	13	20	0	\$50	\$0
Independent Claims	1	3	0	\$200	\$0
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee	—			\$360	\$360
[X] Small Entity Status is Asserted	Deduct 50% of above fees				(\$630)
[ ] Basic Fee Utility - e-filed and Small Entity				\$75	
[ ] Non-English Specification	—			\$130	\$0
TOTAL FILING FEE					\$630

- [X] Payment of all fees, including the total filing fee in the amount of \$ 630 is by credit card. A form PTO-2038 is attached.
- [X] Please charge to Deposit Account No. 10-1250 any further fees due for filing or during prosecution of this application under: 37 CFR 1.16; 37 CFR 1.17; and 37 CFR 1.492.
- [ X ] English translation of specification, claims, and abstract of the International Application.
- [ X ] Copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210).
- [ X ] Copy of the International Publication (WO 2004/095017 A2).
- [ X ] Copy of the application form of the PCT application (PCT/RO/101).
- [ X ] Copy of the PCT/IB/301 form.
- [ X ] Copy of the PCT/IPEA/409 form (including German language amended pages, pages 21-23 setting forth claims 1-13 along with an English translation of such claims 1-13).

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**DECLARATION TO FOLLOW**

### INVENTOR INFORMATION SHEET

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